

**Alaska State Library  
Historical Collections**

Guide to Collection

**Williams, Ralph B.**

**Memorabilia of Dr. Ralph B. Williams, ca. 1940s-1970s**

**MS 213**

4 boxes

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**PROCESSING:** The collection material was placed in archival boxes and described at the folder level.

## BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Dr. Ralph B. Williams was born in Salt Lake City Utah August 19, 1910 to Freeman Royal Williams and Laura Brown/Bullock. He married Ione Fallentine August 16, 1933. They had two daughters: Constance (Johnson) and Katherine.

Dr. Williams arrived in Juneau, Alaska on July 10, 1944 to take a position with the Territory as Director of Public Health Laboratories. He held this position until he retired in the late 1960s. By avocation he was a noted ornithologist, avid stamp and coin collector and photographer. He died October 5, 2001.

*From: Connie Johnson notes, May 2005*

## SCOPE AND CONTENTS NOTE

The collection includes ornithology research, field notes, bird lists, correspondence, photographs, and a stamp collection containing Alaskan first issues and cancelled postmarks.

## INVENTORY

### Box 1

9 spiral notebooks containing birding information such as daily data, birdbanding, ornithological notes from 1967 to 1980

Box of b&w photographs, many of birds – falcons, eagles, ravens, geese, juncos, gulls  
Many sleeves of negatives

### Box 2

Ornithology research correspondence:

#### Folders

Many states and Canada

R. A. Cooley

Robert A. Widmeier

William R. Lasky

Fred O. Montgomery

Round Robin Flight #2

### Box 3

Correspondence, Stamp collection

**Box 4**

Publications, papers: Ornithology, public health, miscellaneous

**Folders**

Ornithology-Field notes- Southeast Alaska

Ornithology-Field notes-Fairbanks, Anchorage

Ornithology-Correspondence

Wyoming Eagles

Birds-Alaska-Publications

Small Mammals

Pipeline

Public Health

Public Health-Published works by Ralph Williams

Various